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Letter dated 20 August 1991 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to enclose herewith the text of Islamic Conference resolution 30/20-p of 8 August 1991 on the question of Cyprus, which was adopted by the Twentieth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Istanbul, Republic of Turkey, from 4 to 8 August 1991 (see annex).

I should be grateful if the text of the present letter and its annex would be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 27 and 45, and of the Security Council.

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ANNEX

ISLAMIC CONFERENCE

RESOLUTION 30/20-P OF 8 AUGUST 1991

The twentieth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Istanbul, Republic of Turkey, from 24-28 Muharram 1412H (4-8 August 1991).

Reaffirming its previous resolutions on the question of Cyprus which express firm support for the rightful cause of the Turkish Muslim community of Cyprus who constitute an integral part of the Islamic world;

Reaffirming further its support for United Nations Security Council resolution 649(1990) of 12 March 1990, which was accepted by both sides to the Cyprus problem as a basis for a negotiated settlement and for the continuing efforts of the United Nations Secretary-General towards that end under his mission of good offices;

Welcoming in this connection the proposal made by Turkey for a high-level quadripartite meeting with the participation of the two parties in Cyprus on the basis of equality and by Turkey and Greece;

Recalling that in the more than 27 years since the establishment of UNFICYP, it has not been possible to achieve a negotiated settlement of the Cyprus problem;

Mindful of the necessity to respect the equality of the two sides in Cyprus in order to help the attainment of an overall agreement;

Recalling its resolution 16/7-P adopted at its 7th meeting in which it was agreed that the representatives of the Turkish Muslim community of Cyprus be invited to attend the future meetings of the Islamic Conference;

Noting the report of the Secretary-General contained in document ICFM/20-91/PIL/D.21;

Having considered in this context the request of the Turkish Cypriot side for membership in the Islamic Conference;

Expressing its solidarity, with the Turkish Muslim community of Cyprus and its appreciation for their constructive efforts to attain a just and mutually acceptable settlement;

1. Reaffirms the full equality of the two parties in Cyprus as the principle enabling them to live side by side in security, peace and harmony, without the one having the ability to exploit, oppress or threaten the other.

2. Urges the member States of the Islamic Conference to strengthen effective solidarity with the Turkish Muslim community of Cyprus and to assist them in reaching a just and durable settlement to the Cyprus problem.

3. Decides to support until the Cyprus problem is solved, the rightful claim of the Turkish Muslim community of Cyprus for the right to be heard in all international forums where the Cyprus problem comes up for discussion, on the basis of equality of the two parties in Cyprus.

4. Decides further :

a) to enhance the participation of the Turkish Muslim community of Cyprus in the Islamic Conference by enabling it to take part effectively in the work and activities and meetings of all the organs of the OIC, including its subsidiary organs and affiliated institutions; and

b) to call on and urge the member States of the Islamic Conference to increase and expand their relations with the Turkish Muslim community of Cyprus in all fields and in particular in the fields of trade, tourism, information, investment and sports.

5. Requests the Islamic Development Bank to undertake in consultation with the Turkish Muslim community of Cyprus a comprehensive study on their economic situation and needs with a view to promoting their economic development.

6. Calls on the two parties to negotiate together on an equal footing towards freely reaching a mutually acceptable solution in accordance with the provisions of United Nations Security Council resolution 649(1990).

7. Calls further on the two parties to seek a new relationship based on respect for each other's rights and identities in order to facilitate a new partnership between them.

8. Decides to remain seized of the request of the Turkish Muslim community of Cyprus.

9. Requests the Secretary-General to take all the necessary measures for the implementation of this resolution and to make further recommendations as appropriate.

10. Requests further the Secretary-General of the Organization of Islamic Conference to monitor closely developments in Cyprus and to present a comprehensive report to the Dakar Islamic Summit and the next Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.